

Washington Jackson to Andrew Jackson, June 19, 1806, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

WASHINGTON JACKSON¹ TO JACKSON.

¹ Washington Jackson was a brother of James Jackson, a leading merchant in Nashville. He was living in Natchez in 1813, when Jackson's detachment arrived there.

New Orleans, June 19, 1806.

Dear Sir , Allow me to congratulate you, on your safety from the field of honor, without broken bones and hope ere this reaches you, you may be perfectly recover'd of the Wound you received in your breast, I could have been happy this affair could have been settled amicably and honorable otherwise, but presume it had gone too great lengths to be settled otherwise,

my dear Sir it's now well known to the World you are a man of true courage and honor, and therefore hope you'll not endanger yourself in affairs of this nature, particularly with young men. pardon me, perhaps its presumption in addressing you thus on this subject, but such are the sentiments of my heart. I must regret the loss of your antagonist, could have wished his Wound had not been fatal.

I have call'd on Meeker Williamson and Patton respecting your produce, several times, I cannot get any satisfactory answer, they say they write you respecting it, therefore having no authority over it, I can't do as would wish. had I any I should take it out of their hands and place it Gray and Taylors, or some other good House, as I requested of Mr. Hutchings when here, but he would not do it. I would not mention my Brothers House to him least

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he should think I was partial, but I must allow this I am very much prejudiced against the House of M. W. and Patton, probable they may serve you better than I expect.

Mr. Thursby has been making of me some enquiry respecting the proceeds of your Cargoe, to which I replied you had given instructions to remit the proceeds to you in Nashville, in Bills Drawn in favor of John Jackson Phila., and that you apportion the amt. to your Creditors, to which he made no answer.

I embarked for L'pool on the 13th. and after having got 6 Mile down the River discoverd our Vessel so Crank, that thought prudent to return for Ballast, which we have now got and expect to Sail in less than an hour. If you be good enough to honor me with a letter in a short time hence, directed to the care of Mrs. D. Bond, Bridge St. Dublin, I shall consider it as a very particular Favour. make my Best Respects to Mrs. Jackson and am Yours with sentiments of Respect and Esteem